

Daniel – Revelation: The connection

Special focus on chapters 2, 7, and 8

Introduction – What connection does the book of Daniel have to the book of Revelation? This question will be the scope of this study with a view toward understanding the symbols common to both revelations. Our goal will be to decode the meaning of the symbolic language for the purpose of understanding what Daniel and Revelation are all about. Our investigation will involve letting the “revealed” interpretation of the symbols be the basis for further interpretation on these matters.

It will be my aim to set forth the premise that the events that Daniel dreamed in chapter 7, in particular the events related to the 4th world kingdom and the activities of the little horn (a king) are the SAME events that will be described by John in the book of Revelation. What Daniel saw from a great distance, John will see up close and imminent. The overlap in the figurative language to describe these events will be the key to unlocking the connection.

While there is a reason to guard against the often faulty premise that similarity of language demands that such requires that different passages are referring to the same event, there is sufficient reason to conclude that the common language of Daniel and Revelation together with a fair comparison of the “context” into which these revelations are found will lead us to believe that both Daniel and John were speaking of the SAME events.

Daniel 7

Daniel’s visions are troubling to him. In a future time a king will make war with the saints of God and will prevail against them. Even though that king will be judged and a kingdom of God will be established (given to the saints), there is still the troubling scene of a blasphemous ruler who will wear out the saints of the Most High.

The vision of four beasts rising up one after another parallels the four kingdoms revealed in Nebuchadnezzar’s dream from Daniel 2. A comparison of details will establish that the kingdoms under consideration are: The Babylonian Empire, The Medo-Persian Empire, the Macedonian Empire and the Roman Empire. In Daniel 7 there will be ten horns on the 4th beast representing 10 kings; then another (a little horn) will rise up and make war against the saints of God.

How many kingdoms?

- Four?
- Five?
- More... or less?
- How can you know?
- Compare with Daniel 7



This conflict will be resolved when thrones are set and judgment is revealed against the little horn (the beast). One like unto a son of man appears and comes near to the Ancient of Days. There was given to him dominion, glory and a kingdom that will be everlasting. Judgment is also given to the saints of the Most High and the time came when they possessed the kingdom.

The interpretation

Daniel 7:15-16 *As for me, Daniel, my spirit was grieved in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me. 16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.*

Daniel was not left to speculate over what his vision meant. God had revealed to Daniel the meaning of Nebuchadnezzar's dream (Daniel 2). Likewise, an angel reveals to Daniel the interpretation of his dreams. This is vital to our effort to fairly discern the connection between Daniel and Revelation. The key to decoding the figurative language in Revelation is found in the divinely revealed interpretations given to Daniel.

That there are four world kingdoms under consideration is sustained by a comparison to the dream of Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 2) with the four beasts (kingdoms) that Daniel saw (Daniel 7). When you add the two kingdoms that are specifically identified in Daniel 8 – Medo-Persian Empire / Greek Empire – it is certain that the four world empires are as follows:

The Babylonian Empire - Daniel 2:37-38 *Thou, O king, art king of kings, unto whom the God of heaven hath given the kingdom, the power, and the strength, and the glory; 38 and wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the birds of the heavens hath he given into thy hand, and hath made thee to rule over them all: **thou art the head of gold.***

- This is a divinely revealed interpretation. Nebuchadnezzar represents his kingdom. This first world empire will be followed by three others.

Daniel 2:39 *And after thee shall arise **another kingdom** inferior to thee; and **another third kingdom** of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.*

The Medo- Persian Empire – This second kingdom is specifically identified in Daniel 8 when Gabriel explained to Daniel the meaning of his vision. While this particular vision does not include all four world kingdoms, it is specific in the interactions of the two kingdoms named by Gabriel to be Medo-Persia and the Greek empires.

Daniel 8:20-21 *The **ram** which thou sawest, that had the two horns, they are **the kings of Media and Persia.** 21 And the **rough he-goat** is **the king of Greece:** and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.*

The Macedonian Empire – the third empire in this unfolding of future history will have a profound impact on the people of God in the inter-testamental period. More details of these events will be revealed in the later chapters of the book of Daniel.

The Roman Empire – This is the fourth world empire and the one that makes the connection with the events in the book of Revelation.

Daniel 2:40 *And **the fourth kingdom** shall be strong as iron, forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things; and as iron that crusheth all these, shall it break in pieces and crush.*

Daniel 7:7 *After this I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, **a fourth beast**, terrible and powerful, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth; it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.*

Daniel 7:19 *Then I desired to know the truth concerning **the fourth beast**, which was diverse from all of them, exceeding terrible, whose teeth were of iron, and its nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet;*

Daniel 7:23 *Thus he said, **The fourth beast** shall be **a fourth kingdom upon earth**, which shall be diverse from all the kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.*

One aspect of this kingdom is the “time stamp” that is placed on the establishment of the “everlasting kingdom” a kingdom not made with hands. This kingdom promised by God would be established in the time of certain kings. Consider: **Daniel 2:44** *And in the days of those kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed, nor shall the sovereignty thereof be left to another people; but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.*

The kings under consideration are the kings of the fourth kingdom, the Roman Empire. Luke records who is ruling during the time in which Jesus was born and lived His life on earth. Further, references are made in Acts to the Caesars that were ruling during the first century when the church was established and growing.

Luke 2:1 *Now it came to pass in those days, there went out a decree from **Caesar Augustus**, that all the world should be enrolled.*

Luke 3:1 *Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of **Tiberius Caesar**, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judaea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilen*

The events revealed in the book of Revelation began in the 1st century AD. The Roman Empire is at the center of these events and it will be a Roman king who will be revealed as the “little horn” of Daniel 7 (not the little horn of Daniel 8). This king will be the “beast” in **Revelation 17:11** *And **the beast** that was, and is not, is himself also an eighth, and is of the seven; and he goeth into perdition.*

Daniel and Revelation

The key to decoding the book of Revelation

- OT apocalyptic imagery provides the symbols and the key to understanding the book of Revelation
- Daniel, Ezekiel, Zechariah... these books hold the key to unlocking Revelation
- We are not left to "guess" concerning what certain symbols mean when the inspired writer reveals the interpretation

World Kingdoms

- **Daniel 2** presents the reader with the image of Nebuchadnezzar's dream
 - o The different materials represent four world empires
- **Daniel 7** provides the reader with an interpretation of the beasts Daniel saw in a dream
 - o The four beasts represent the same four world empires as Daniel 2
- **Daniel 8** shows the reader two animals, a ram and a he-goat
 - o These represent two world empires and their interaction (Medo-Persians and the Macedonians)

Daniel 2:37-40 Thou, O king, art king of kings... thou art the head of gold. 39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee; and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth. 40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron...

Daniel 7:17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, that shall arise out of the earth.

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Daniel 8:20-21 The **ram** which thou sawest, that had the two horns, they are the kings of Media and Persia. 21 And the rough **he-goat** is the king of Greece: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.

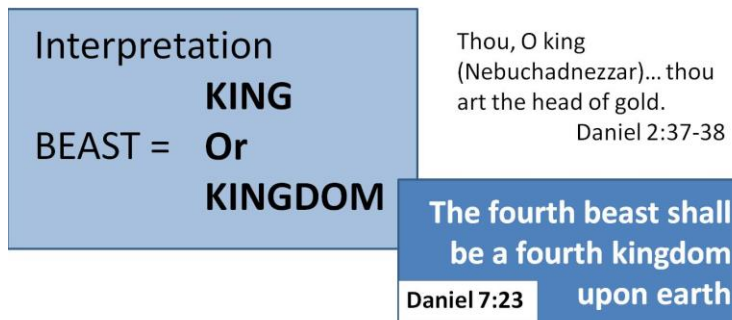
The imagery

- **World kingdoms:** Babylon, Medo-Persian, Macedonian and Roman empires
- **The beasts (four):** each represent a world empire; it also can represent the emperor (the empire personified)
- **Horns** - these represent kings (emperors)

Note: by understanding this basic pattern of interpretation, a key can be constructed for decoding the book of Revelation, thus giving a fair interpretation of how John uses these OT symbols.

Daniel 7

17. These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, that shall arise out of the earth.



The Beast of Revelation

To understand the book of Revelation one must identify the main “characters” in the story. On the side of evil are the Dragon, the Beast, the False Prophet and the Harlot. These stand in opposition to God, the Father - Jesus, the Son - the Holy Spirit and the glorious woman. The identity of the Godhead (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) is not in question. Identifying the glorious woman in Revelation 12 may take a little more examination.

The Identity of the Dragon is certain from - **Revelation 12:9** *And the great dragon was cast down, the old serpent, he that is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world; he was cast down to the earth, and his angels were cast down with him.*

How can we establish with some degree of certainty the identity of the Beast of Revelation?

First introduced in **Revelation 11:7** *And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that cometh up out of the abyss shall make war with them, and overcome them, and kill them.*

He is next seen in **Revelation 13:1** *and he stood upon the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns, and seven heads, and on his horns ten diadems, and upon his heads names of blasphemy.*

Daniel saw in his vision 4 great beasts coming up out of the sea: **Daniel 7:3** *And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.*

Daniel 7:4-7

4 The **first** was like a lion, and had eagle's wings

5 And, behold, another beast, a **second**, like to a bear

6 After this I beheld, and, lo, **another**, like a leopard

7 After this I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, a **fourth beast, terrible and powerful**, and strong exceedingly



Revelation 13:2

2 And **the beast which I saw** was like unto a leopard,

and his feet were as the feet of a bear,

and his mouth as the mouth of a lion:

and the dragon gave him his power, and his throne, and great authority.

Daniel saw four beasts, some of which would appear in the distant future. The order of the animal characteristics was LION – then, BEAR – then, LEOPARD
John will see one beast (the 4th beast of Daniel 7) which will have all the animal Characteristics of Daniel's beasts – in reverse order: LEOPARD – BEAR - LION

The book of Daniel reveals four world kingdoms, the 4th of which is the Roman Empire. The book of Revelation reveals one beast / one world kingdom coming up out of the sea, the Roman Empire. In this John sees the same beast (kingdom) that Daniel saw centuries before. Let us now turn our attention to the kings (horns / heads) associated with this particular beast – the Roman Empire.

The Kings

Daniel 2:40-44 And **the fourth kingdom** shall be strong as iron, forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things; and as iron that crusheth all these, shall it break in pieces and crush. 41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, it shall be a divided kingdom; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men; but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron doth not mingle with clay. 44 And **in the days of those kings** shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed, nor shall the sovereignty thereof be left to another people; but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Daniel 7:7-8 After this I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, **a fourth beast**, terrible and powerful, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth; it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet: and it was **diverse from all the beasts that were before it**; and **it had ten horns**.

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them **another horn, a little one**, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Daniel 7:19-21 Then I desired to know the truth concerning **the fourth beast**, which was diverse from all of them, exceeding terrible, whose teeth were of iron, and its nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet; 20 **and concerning the ten horns** that were on its head, **and the other horn** which came up, and before which three fell, even that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake great things, whose look was more stout than its fellows. 21 I beheld, and **the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them**.

Daniel 7:24-25 And as for **the ten horns, out of this kingdom shall ten kings arise**: and **another shall arise after them**; and he shall be diverse from the former, and **he shall put down three kings**. 25 And he shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High; and he shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and half a time.

Daniel 7 – the interpretation

17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, that shall arise out of the earth.

18 But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

19 Then I desired to know the truth concerning the **fourth beast**, which was diverse from all of them, exceeding terrible, whose teeth were of iron, and its nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet;

20 and concerning the **ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn** which came up, and before which three fell, even that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake great things, whose look was more stout than its fellows.

21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

22 until the ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the Most High, and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be a fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all the kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

24 And as for the ten horns, out of this kingdom shall ten kings arise: and another shall arise after them; and he shall be diverse from the former, and he shall put down three kings.

25 And he shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High; and he shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and half a time.

26 But the judgment shall be set, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

27 And the kingdom and the dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High: his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

28 Here is the end of the matter. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts much troubled me, and my countenance was changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

Babylonian, Medo-Persian, Macedonian

The Roman Empire

- 1 **Augustus**
- 2 **Tiberius**
- 3 **Caligula**
- 4 **Claudius**
- 5 **Nero**
- 6

Galba
- 7

Otho
- 8

Vitellius
- 9 **Vespasian**
- 10 **Titus**
- 11 **Domitian**

Revelation 11:15

The issue of whether one can confidently assign an actual king to a “horn” on the head of a beast is resolved with the divinely revealed interpretation of the symbols in Daniel 8.

Daniel 8:20-21 *The ram which thou sawest, that had the two horns, they are the kings of Media and Persia. 21 And the rough he-goat is the king of Greece: and **the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.***

Who could argue against this great “horn” being Alexander, the great, the first king of the Macedonian Empire? If this method of interpreting the identity of the “horns” is assured here, then further application will be equally assured. The only issue that remains is to ensure that you get the right kings assigned to the horns under consideration.

Daniel 8:8 *And the he-goat magnified himself exceedingly: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and instead of it **there came up four notable horns** toward the four winds of heaven.*

Daniel 8:21-22 *And the rough he-goat is the king of Greece: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king. 22 And as for that which was broken, in the place whereof four stood up, **four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation**, but not with his power.*

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Daniel 8:22

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1. **Cassander** (East). Macedonia, Thrace and Greece
2. **Lysimachus** (North). Asia Minor
3. **Ptolemy** (South). Egypt and Palestine
4. **Seleucius** (West). Babylon, Persia and Syria



How do the heads / horns on the beast of Revelation compare to the horns / kings of Daniel 7?

Revelation 13:1 *and he stood upon the sand of the sea. And I saw **a beast** coming up out of the sea, **having ten horns**, and **seven heads**, and on his horns ten diadems, and upon his heads names of blasphemy.*

Revelation 17:7 *And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou wonder? **I will tell thee the mystery of the woman**, and **of the beast** that carrieth her, which hath the **seven heads and the ten horns**.*

Revelation 17:9-11 *Here is the mind that hath wisdom. The **seven heads** are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth: **10 and they are seven kings**; the five are fallen, the one is, the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a little while. **11 And the beast that was, and is not, is himself also an eighth, and is of the seven**; and he goeth into perdition.*

10+1 kings in Daniel vs 8+1 kings in Revelation

One variation between the vision seen by Daniel and that seen by John is the Beast of Revelation has 7 heads which are revealed to be 7 kings. In Revelation 17:12 there are another 10 horns who are a different 10 kings who "have received no kingdom as yet". It is my view that the 7+1 kings represented by heads on the Revelation beast are the same kings that Daniel saw on the 4th beast of his vision. The difference between these two visions involves the three kings in Daniel that are "plucked up by the roots" (Daniel 7:8). The little horn (the 11th king of Daniel) will "put down" these three kings (Daniel 8:24), or it is said that they will "fall" before the little horn (Daniel 7:20). How can the number of kings in Daniel 7 be reconciled with the number of kings in Revelation 17?

Revelation 17 – the mystery revealed

7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou wonder? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and the ten horns.

8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and is about to come up out of the abyss, and to go into perdition. And they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, they whose name hath not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast, how that he was, and is not, and shall come.

9 Here is the mind that hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth:

10 and they are seven kings; the five are fallen, the one is, the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a little while.

11 And the beast that was, and is not, is himself also an eighth, and is of the seven; and he goeth into perdition.

12 And the ten horns that thou sawest are ten kings, who have received no kingdom as yet; but they receive authority as kings, with the beast, for one hour.

13 These have one mind, and they give their power and authority unto the beast.

14 These shall war against the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them, for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings; and they also shall overcome that are with him, called and chosen and faithful.

15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the harlot sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

16 And the ten horns which thou sawest, and the beast, these shall hate the harlot, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and shall burn her utterly with fire.

17 For God did put in their hearts to do his mind, and to come to one mind, and to give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God should be accomplished.

18 And the woman whom thou sawest is the great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

The city of Rome

The Roman Empire

- 1 Augustus
- 2 Tiberius
- 3 Caligula
- 4 Claudius
- 5 Nero

Galba
Otho
Vitellius

- 6 Vespasian
- 7 Titus
- 8 Domitian
of the seven

the five are fallen

the one is

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the eighth

vs. 12, 16 – these ten horns are vassal Kingdoms that do the bidding of Rome

It is my view that these three are omitted from the Revelation list of kings because they are the three kings that “fall” before the little horn of Daniel 7.

This is not to say that the little horn actually kills or dethrones them directly, but rather each of their short reigns as emperor was overshadowed by the dynasties that were before and after the turmoil that ensued after the death of Nero.

It was not until Vespasian returned to Rome and solidified his rule as Caesar that the upheaval of 68-69 AD was resolved.

Research the topic: **The Year of the Four Emperors**

Galba (Servius Galba Imperator Caesar Augustus)

- born near Tarracina on December 24 3 B.C.
- died at Rome on January 15 69 A.D. at age 72 from assassination during a rebellion among his rivals
- reigned 1 year, from 68 to 69 A.D.

Otho (Imperator Marcus Otho Caesar Augustus)

- born at Ferentium on April 28 32 A.D.
- died at Brixillum on April 16 69 A.D. at age 37 from suicide
- reigned less than a year, during 69 A.D.

Vitellius (Aulus Vitellius Germanicus Imperator Augustus)

- born on September 7 12 A.D. (birthplace uncertain)
- died at Rome on December 20 69 A.D. at age 57 from assassination during the Flavian Revolt, his body was dumped into the Tiber River
- reigned less than a year, during 69 A.D.

The Year of the Four Emperors



Nero

reigned
Oct. 13, 54 AD – June 9, 68 AD



Vespasian

reigned
July 1, 69 AD – June 24, 79 AD

Titus

reigned
June 24, 79 AD –
Sept. 13, 81 AD

68 AD

69 AD

Domitian

reigned
Sept. 14, 81 AD –
Sept. 18, 96 AD

Galba

reigned
June 8, 68 AD –
Jan. 15, 69 AD



Otho

reigned
Jan. 15, 69 AD –
Apr. 16, 69 AD



Vitellius

reigned
Apr. 1, 69 AD –
Dec. 20, 69 AD



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Revelation 17:9-11

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five are fallen



Beasts of Daniel 7



Babylonian Medo-Persian Macedonian Roman

The little horn,
The 11th king
Daniel 7:23-24

The Ten Horns and the little horn The Seven Kings and the Eighth

Daniel 7:8, 24 – The three kings “put down” were Galba, Otho, Vitellius. These three were seen by Daniel, but are omitted by John. Why? They saw from a different perspective, Daniel from afar and John up close.

Revelation 17:9-11

Five are fallen: Augustus through Nero
One is: **Vespasian**
The other not yet come...
will continue for a little while: **Titus** (reigned 2 yrs.)
The Beast (the eighth king): **Domitian**



Domitian
81 -96 AD

The Beast
The eighth king
Revelation 17:10-11

Roman Empire

Daniel 7:16-27 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. 17 **These great beasts, which are four, are four kings**, that shall arise out of the earth. 18 But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever. 19 Then I desired to know the truth concerning **the fourth beast**, which was diverse from all of them, exceeding terrible, whose teeth were of iron, and its nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet; 20 and concerning the ten horns that were on its head, and **the other horn** which came up, and before which three fell, even that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake great things, whose look was more stout than its fellows. 21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; 22 until the ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the Most High, and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. 23 Thus he said, **The fourth beast shall be a fourth kingdom upon earth**, which shall be diverse from all the kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. 24 **And as for the ten horns, out of this kingdom shall ten kings arise; and another shall arise after them;** and he shall be diverse from the former, and he shall put down three kings. 25 And he shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High; and he shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and half a time. 26 **But the judgment shall be set**, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. 27 And the kingdom and the dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High: his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

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Revelation 11:15

Revelation 17:8-14

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Daniel 7:9-10 I beheld till **thrones were placed**, and **one that was ancient of days did sit**: his raiment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and the wheels thereof burning fire. 10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousands of thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: **the judgment was set, and the books were opened.**

Daniel 7:25-26 And he shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High; and he shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and half a time. 26 **But the judgment shall be set**, and **they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.**

Revelation 20:11-13 And I saw a **great white throne**, and him that sat upon it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. 12 **And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne**; and **books were opened**: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and **the dead were judged out of the things which were written in the books**, according to their works. 13 And the sea gave up the dead that were in it; and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them: and **they were judged every man according to their works.**

The Judgment Was Set

Revelation 17:1 And there came one of the seven angels that had the seven bowls, and spake with me, saying, Come hither, **I will show thee the judgment of the great harlot** that sitteth upon many waters

Revelation 17:18 And **the woman whom thou sawest is the great city**, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

Revelation 19:1-2 After these things I heard as it were a great voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, Hallelujah; Salvation, and glory, and power, belong to our God: 2 for **true and righteous are his judgments; for he hath judged the great harlot**, her that corrupted the earth with her fornication, and he hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

Revelation 19:20 And **the beast** was taken, and with him **the false prophet** that wrought the signs in his sight, wherewith he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast and them that worshipped his image: **they two were cast alive into the lake of fire** that burneth with brimstone:

SITTING UPON SEVEN HILLS

**"And here is the mind which hath wisdom.
The seven heads are seven mountains,
on which the woman sitteth."**

-Revelation 17:9-



***This Roman coin, from the British Museum, was minted in 71 A.D. during the reign of Vespasian.
This coin and its symboligy would have been familiar to the First Century Ecclesia.
It depicts the city of Rome as a woman seated on 7 hills.***

Daniel 2:44 And in the days of those kings shall **the God of heaven set up a kingdom** which shall never be destroyed

Daniel 7:13-14 I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, there came with the clouds of heaven one like unto a son of man, and he came even to the ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 14 And **there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom**, that all the peoples, nations, and languages should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and **his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.**

Daniel 7:18 But **the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom**, and **possess the kingdom for ever**, even for ever and ever.

Daniel 7:22 until the ancient of days came, and **judgment was given to the saints of the Most High**, and the time came **that the saints possessed the kingdom.**

Daniel 7:27 And **the kingdom** and the dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, **shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High: his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom**, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

The Kingdom

Set up
Given
Received
Possessed

Revelation 11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there followed great voices in heaven, and they said, **The kingdom of the world is become the kingdom of our Lord**, and of his Christ: and he shall reign for ever and ever.


Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them... **and they lived, and reigned with Christ a thousand years.**

Here is the mind that hath wisdom

Daniel 9:22, cf. 2:23

THE VISION IS INTERPRETED

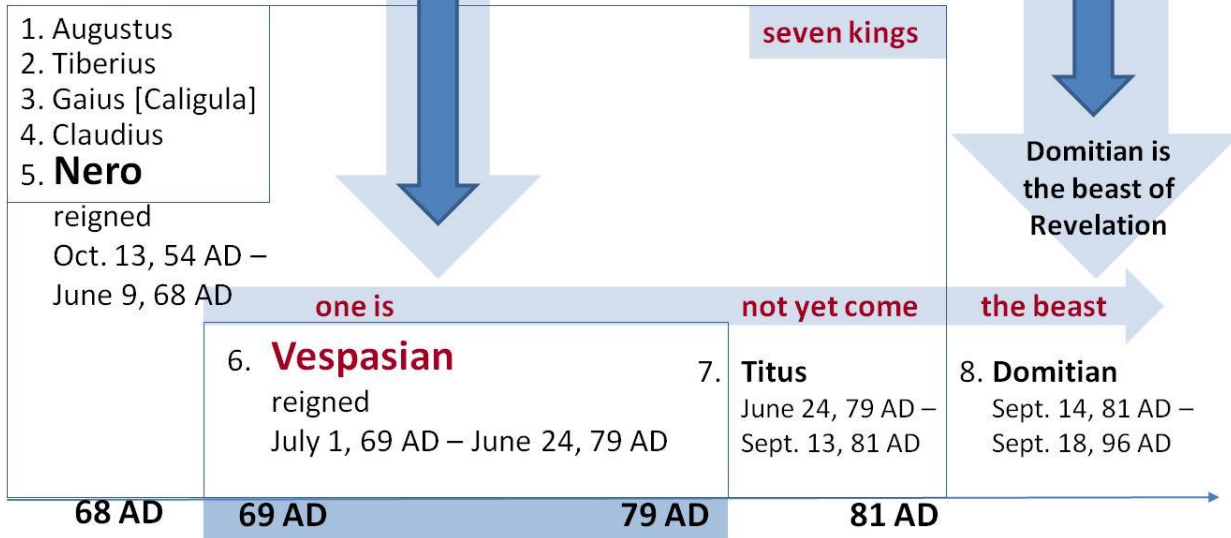
Revelation 13:18, 17:9

Daniel			John			
"what shall befall thy people in the latter days; for the vision is yet for many days" — Daniel 10:14			"the things which must shortly come to pass" — Revelation 1:1			
Daniel 2		Daniel 7	THE ROMAN EMPIRE			
Gold	Babylonian	Lion	1. Augustus	Vespasian	Titus	Domitian
Silver	Medo-Persian	Bear	2. Tiberius			
Brass	Macedonian	Leopard	3. Gaius [Caligula]			
			4. Claudius			
			5. Nero			
			Five are fallen	One is	the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a little while	And the beast that was, and is not, is himself also an eighth
			Rev. 17:10			
Iron and clay	Roman	Awesome beast	6. Galba			
			7. Otho			
			8. Vitellius			
			Three are put down			
			Dan. 7:24			
The Beast of Revelation			69-79 AD	79-81 AD	81-96 AD	
Daniel 7 Four Beasts - Four World Empires 1. A LION - Babylonian 2. A BEAR - Medo-Persian 3. A LEOPARD - Macedonian 4. A TERRIBLE BEAST - Roman			The Ten Horns and the little horn Daniel 7:8, 24 The three kings "put down" were Galba, Otho, Vitellius; These were seen by Daniel, but they are omitted by John. Why? They saw from a different perspective: Daniel saw from afar off what John saw up close.			
Revelation 13 The Beast (from the sea) - described: "like a leopard... feet of a bear... mouth of a lion" The Roman Empire Daniel saw it "from afar" John saw it "at hand"			The Seven Kings and the Eighth Revelation 17:9-11 Five are fallen: Augustus through Nero One is: Vespasian (book of Revelation was written in his reign—69—79 AD) The other not yet come... will continue for a little while: Titus (reigned only two years) The Beast (the eighth king): Domitian			

If the Daniel – Revelation connection is true

The book of Revelation was written in the reign of Vespasian

five are fallen



Interpretation

Daniel 2	Daniel 7
Gold	Babylonian Lion
Silver	Medo-Persian Bear
Brass	Macedonian Leopard
Iron and clay	Roman Awesome beast

Daniel 8:20-22 The ram which thou sawest, that had the two horns, they are the kings of Media and Persia. 21 And the rough he-goat is the king of Greece: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king. 22 And as for that which was broken, in the place whereof four stood up, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not with his power.

Daniel 8 – the he-goat The great horn The 4 notable horns
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Greece 2. Alexander, the Great 3. Cassander, Lysimachus, Ptolemy, Seleucius

Daniel 7 – the ten horns On the 4th beast
Fill in the kings

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Augustus 2. Tiberius 3. Gaius [Caligula] 4. Claudius 5. Nero 6. Galba 7. Otho 8. Vitellius 9. Vespasian 10. Titus 11. Domitian 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11.
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Revelation 17 – the 7 heads And the 8th king – the beast
Fill in the kings

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Augustus 2. Tiberius 3. Gaius [Caligula] 4. Claudius 5. Nero 6. Vespasian 7. Titus 8. Domitian 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.
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